

Proclamation

by

Paul E. Patton
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Clean water is a basic and essential need of mankind; and
- WHEREAS, Clean water is needed to help protect public health, fisheries and wildlife and to ensure abundant opportunities for public recreations; and
- WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of both federal and state governments to take care of and protect water resources for current and future generations; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky has more than 89,000 miles of waterways, 637,000 acres of wetlands, 228,385 acres of publicly owned lakes and reservoirs; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky's streams, reservoirs and groundwater serve 656 public water systems that provide water to 3,512,049 of the state's 4,041,769 residents; and
- WHEREAS, The year 2002 is being observed as the Year of Clean Water in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the enactment of the 1972 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act) and the month of October marks the signing of that act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL E. PATTON, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 2002 as

CLEAN WATER MONTH

in Kentucky and I do hereby urge all citizens to protect and preserve this state's water resources for both now and the future.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort, this 20th day of August, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Two and in the 211th year of the Commonwealth.

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GOVERNOR

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